

Minutes for the 12/08/09 meeting Human Rights Commission Subcommittee:

Present: Val Ginn, Michael Munroe, Christine Andrews, Ken Freidenberg, Gary Byron, Tim Manke, Phyllis DiCara

The meeting began at 7:05 PM. The minutes from the 11/10/09 HRC Subcommittee meeting were approved and seconded. The first order of business was the **Newington's Got Talent Fund Raiser for Human Services**.

The promotional flyer that was designed by Christine Andrews was distributed to the HRC members. The HRC members approved of this flyer and agreed that it should be distributed to the Newington Schools after the Christmas break. This flyer will also be used to distribute to various businesses in Newington. The feedback from the schools was that they would prefer that gift certificates be awarded as prizes rather than cash prizes. HRC members agreed that Visa gift cards could be awarded instead of cash.

Advertising: Ken will take care of getting the flyers distributed to the schools and St. Mary's. Val will take care of getting the flyer into the print media starting in early January. Phyllis volunteered to distribute the flyer to the Newington Senior Center. Christine volunteered to have the flyer posted in the Newington Library - upstairs and downstairs. Christine also volunteered to design a promotional bookmark to be distributed at the library in early January. Val and Gary will see about going on NCTV to promote the Fund Raiser. Val agreed to contact NCTV to see if Gary could go on the Mayor's Show on January 4th. Val will also see about her or Gary appearing on the NCTV Talk of the Town Show.

Show Production: Val reported that Mike Rosencrantz from NCTV will get us a NCTV volunteer to help us with the production of the event. Gary volunteered to go to the next NCTV meeting and see how they would want to cover the event - live or taped, number of cameras, lighting etc. Ken and Tim said that at the next Youth Council Meeting they would see if Newington High School students would be interested in helping out in the production of the show. Tim also volunteered to see if the Boy Scouts and members of the Key Club would be interested in helping. Ken will be giving the opening speech for the show. It was agreed that Mike Rosencrantz should be invited to the next HRC meeting, or HRC members could meet with him at his convenience to talk about the show production.

Tickets: Phyllis volunteered to have them printed at her office. Val will get Phyllis the paper which will be a brightly colored business card stock. Christine volunteered to design the tickets. Tim will email Christine a business card layout. It was agreed that the tickets should be sequentially numbered in order to keep track of how many are being sold. The Human Services Department will be the primary location to purchase the tickets.

Waiver Form: Ken sent Phyllis a copy of what the Parks and Recreation Department uses for a waiver form. Phyllis said that she will come up with the waiver form and email it to Ken before the start of January. Ken will then put it on Newington Town letterhead.

Judges: Val and Christine offered to be judges. Phyllis will check to see if her husband will be the third judge. It was agreed that the third judge should be an outgoing male.

Concessions: Due to the fact that there is no eating allowed in the Town Council Chambers, having a concession stand outside the Chambers did not seem like a good idea to the HRC members.

Sponsors: Ken will email a letter to Val that she can present to potential sponsors. It was agreed that sponsors names should be announced at the event and that their names should be on the programs and the tickets.

There was no **Other Business** or **Public Participation**. The meeting adjourned at 8:30 PM.

Next two meetings: January 5th and January 19, 2010

Submitted By: Michael Munroe, Secretary